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## Foreword:

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The increasing application and sophistication of information processing systems within the Agency creates an environment of high potential for the loss, compromise, or disclosure of national security intelligence and personal information stored in or processed by these systems. The achievement and maintenance of a high level of security for this information is ultimately dependent upon the individual employee. This becomes especially true in information processing systems where substantial amounts of highly sensitive information and highly sophisticated technology meet in a dynamic environment.

With this publication, the Information Systems Security Group of the Office of Security is initiating Information Systems Security Notes and Guidelines to provide guidance, information, and procedures in support of regulatory issuances in this highly complex area. The principle regulation in the area of ADP systems security is SECURITY POLICY AND RESPONSIBILITIES. When applied and followed, these Notes and Guidelines should enhance the protection against loss, compromise, or accidental disclosure of information. Each employee associated with ADP equipment and/or systems should be familiar with the provisions contained in these Notes and Guidelines and with

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